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**OCR CONTRIBUTION TO THE
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BOARD OF CONSULTANTS ON FOREIGN
INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES
(30 September 1960 - 1 April 1961)**

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY

The USIB Committees on Documentation (CODIB) and Procurement (PROCIB), chaired by the Assistant Director and Deputy Assistant Director, respectively, continued their increasingly active roles. Chinese Communist publications drop off continued to command considerable PROCIB attention, with, for example, November 1960 journal receipts only 10% of the total received in November 1959; the same low level obtains in April 1961. Procurement efforts to obtain Cuban publications were increased and plans for a survey tour of publications availability in Latin America for mid-1961 were developed. CODIB had a particularly active season, devoting much of its attention to the development of a common format for intelligence information reports for compatibility and greater uniformity in input to mechanized or automated information processing systems; the activities to this end of the newly developing automation staff within the State Department are most encouraging, since Foreign Service reporting constitutes 40% of OCR's input. Current developments in equipment or systems design were considered by CODIB in

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an expanded program of briefings and demonstrations by manufacturers, the high point being a 10 day trip by the Committee to the West Coast to visit 11 companies and two military service organizations. CODIB is proceeding with the development of a plan for a study of the information processing activities of the Intelligence Community, with emphasis on the use of automatic data processing and the development of compatible systems. This was directed by the USIB in March 1961. An especially urgent Community need is that of a secure machine-language-byproduct typewriter for use in overseas installations to provide for direct input to information processing systems and for tie-in with communications facilities for rapid transmittal to Headquarters; this need is being pursued by a newly created CODIB Working Group. Other such groups were established during this reporting period to consider the requirements for inter-agency facsimile transmission of documents and the development of a standard name-check format. In other areas, a survey of Community file-holdings on foreign institutes, laboratories, schools and similar organizations was undertaken by OCR through CODIB to determine the need for and feasibility of establishing a register of this type of information. Finally, considerable attention was devoted by the Office and by CODIB to the USIB Security Committee's draft revision of DCID 11/2 on dissemination and use of intelligence.

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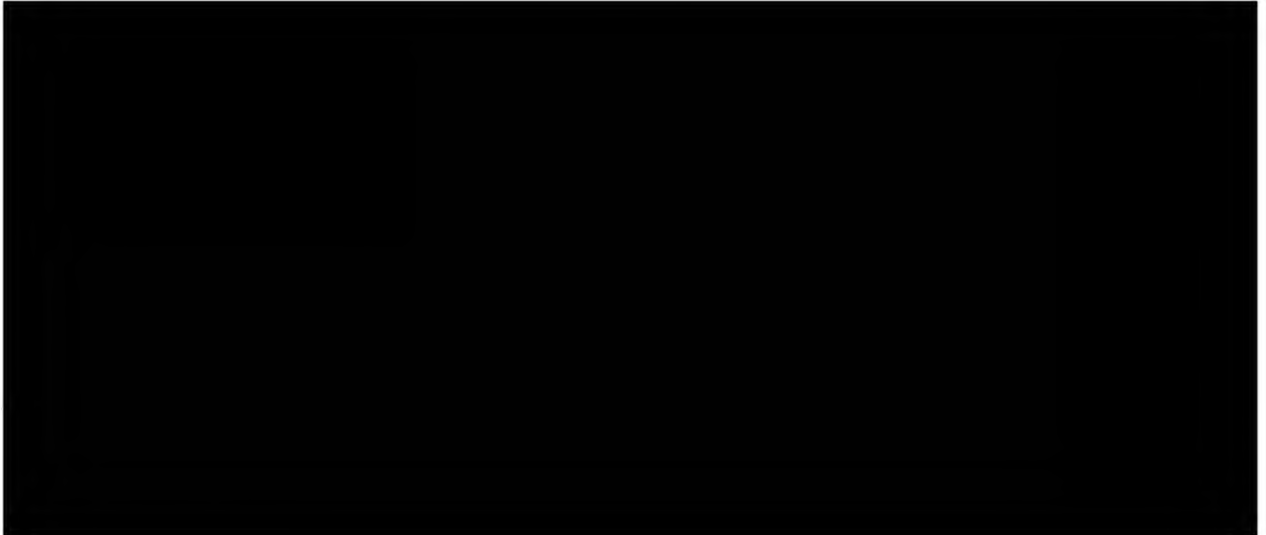
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OTHER SERVICES

Reflecting OCR involvement with both major intelligence projects and significant academic activities, support is being given the ACSI/ORR priority program to reidentify and locate important intelligence targets in the USSR and was given to

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Coding experts were

loaned to Navy and to USAFE to instruct Service personnel in the use of the revised Intelligence Subject Code. The 438L SAC experiment was given 3400 IBM cards and working aids were produced on Soviet organizations in certain cities suspected of containing guided missile centers, on 24,000 SinoSoviet Bloc locations, and on selected industrial and research facilities in East Germany and Poland;

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Improved support capability will result from newly received Chinese Communist feature and documentary films, the opening of the China News Service as a photography source, and from valuable collections [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] resulted in reporting improved in both quality and quantity, and the value of this source attracted USIB attention to the extent that [REDACTED] was approved and distributed.

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INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS

Considerable time has been devoted to identifying new equipment and evaluating both solicited and unsolicited proposals for systems improvement in OCR, and to participating in a limited operations survey instituted by the DD/I Automation Staff. In addition, considerable attention was devoted to the investigations of the Joint Study Group; the JSG recommendations pertinent to the office or to CODIB are being or will be implemented as directed.

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